Jesuit Refugee Service - South Sudan



PSYCHOSOCIAL OFFICER - PHYSIOTHERAPY

Location: Maban, South Sudan

Application Closing Date: 22nd September 2022

Position: Psychosocial Officer – Physiotherapy (2 Positions)

Reporting Line: Assistant Psychosocial Coordinator

Position opened to: South Sudanese Nationals

Organizational Context:

Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) is an international Catholic organization, with a mission to accompany, serve and defend the rights of refugees and forcibly displaced people. JRS has a priority to work wherever the needs of displaced people are urgent and unattended by others and offers a human service to refugees and the communities through a wide range of rehabilitation and relief activities, many of which centred around formal and informal education needs

Position Description

JRS' Psychosocial Department offers a range of services to people who have been displaced in 4 refugee camps in Maban, the Upper Nile Region of South Sudan. JRS Psychosocial services also reach the host community of the same location. The JRS psychosocial intervention in Maban uses a multi-layered response with focus on provision of basic services, re-establishing community networks and support systems and providing focused services for most vulnerable groups. Services include home visits, groups, material support, individual counselling, training in basic mental health and counselling, physiotherapy and occupational therapy, and distribution of mobility assistive devices.

JRS in Maban runs a rehabilitation programme across the four refugee camps and in the host, community using the community-based rehabilitation approach. JRS has been expanding the physiotherapy services and this has resulted in increased number of children and adults requesting access to physiotherapy services. This, this position supports the existing rehabilitation team in offering physiotherapy services in the refugee camps and the host community. Under the supervision of the Assistant MHPSS Coordinator - Rehabilitation, the Psychosocial Officer - Physiotherapy will perform the following responsibilities and tasks:

Key Responsibilities

Under the management of the Assistant MHPSS Coordinator (Rehabilitation), main tasks for the Psychosocial Officer - Physiotherapy will be the following:

- Provide physiotherapy services at the day care centers and ensure that incentive workers are providing quality therapy services as well as rehabilitation skills development to their caregivers.
- In collaboration with the rehabilitation specialists, provide periodic and rigorous skill building to home visitors and day care matrons on community-based rehabilitation (CBR), massage and physiotherapy skills.
- Contribute to the development of training manuals, SOPs and curricula that aim to continuous streamlining of JRS efforts in the CBR domain.

Conduct individual assessment of PWD in need of assistive devices and/or any other specific assistance.

Link beneficiaries with specialized services and get their feedback through the referral mechanisms already existing in Maban.



- Provide administrative supervision/data management for CBR services so all activities are documented and kept confidential.
- Support in the identification of all children with disabilities that need Day Care services and encouraging their parents/caregivers to bring them to Day Care Centers in camps.
- To monitor the assessments, diagnoses, treatment plan, and track progress of children with disabilities enrolled in JRS' Day Care program. Also, to establish psychomotor stimulation activities for children with, or at risk of developmental delays.
- Uphold the integration and accessibility of CwDs to other services including education settings and other JRS recreational activities
- Ensure day Care, home visits' staff management (JRS staff and incentive workers): evaluation of their work quality and work on time in a professional manner
- To ensure that JRS physiotherapy activities are implemented in accordance with international standard protocols, guidelines, and best practices.
- Attend all trainings as required
- Any other assigned duties

Qualifications & Experience:

Essential:

- ✓ Degree in physiotherapy, occupational therapy, or related field.
- At least 3 years of relevant work experience in offering physiotherapy services in a busy setting.
- Experience in working in a multi-disciplinary humanitarian environment
- ✓ Demonstrated ability to organize and mobilize groups of people; able to conduct training and communicate to groups of people clearly
- ✓ Supervisory skills, ability to manage deadlines and multiple tasks
- ✓ Ability to build effective partnerships and collaborate well with other team members
- ✓ Excellent analytical and report writing skills
- ✓ Advanced communication skills. Excellent oral and written proficiency in English and
- ✓ Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel
- ✓ Proactive and self-motivated

Working Relationships

Internal: MHPSS coordinator, Assistant MHPSS Coordinator (Supervisor), Psychosocial Officers, Physiotherapist, Assistant Psychosocial Officers, Education Officers (school-related work)

External: Protection Partners (HDC focal point, SCI, UNHCR), Camp Management (ACTED) SOUTH targeted donors

Core values

- Commitment to JRS mission, vision and values, and the ability to convey with enthusiasm JRS's role in accompanying and serving forcibly displaced people and in advocating for their right to protection and a life in dignity.
- High integrity, honesty, and confidentiality; ability to deal tactfully, consistently, fairly, and discreetly with situations, people, and information.
- Acceptance of diversity and inclusion as a core value. Willingness to work in flexible, sub-optimal and multi-cultural environments.

Submission Requirements

Please send your CV and a cover letter that indicates what skills and experience you have that meets Se the criteria and your availability. The CV (maximum 3 pages) should include contacts (phone and cimail) for three referees. Please note that only official email addresses for referees will be accept. Kindly send

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the application to <u>sds.recruit@jrs.net</u> by **5:00pm** closing date **22nd September 2022**. The subject of the email should be 'Psychosocial Officer – Physiotherapy'.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> due to urgent need to fill this vacant position, we will be reviewing the application as we receive. Only candidates who apply by the deadline and who can demonstrate experience of Physiotherapy processes should apply. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted and only candidates who progress to the final oral interview stage will be informed of interview outcome. **Female candidates are highly encouraged to apply.**

Commitment to Child Safeguarding:

JRS is committed to the safeguarding of children (under 18 years) who encounter with JRS South Sudan personnel and volunteers in all JRS South Sudan works. All JRS-South Sudan Staff are expected to comply with JRS Child safeguarding Policy and Procedures in this regard and to sign a declaration of commitment to this effect.

Commitment to Protection of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA):

JRS-South Sudan takes the protection of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) serious, and all the JRS-South Sudan personnel and volunteers are expected to comply with the JRS-PSEA policy and to sign declaration of commitment.



